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Dear Dr. Steinhaus:

Thank you for your letter of the 30th. Mr. Hughes' references were indeed useful, as was the more recent account in your Insect Pathology book. (As it happens, Professor Brink of this department serves as Editor for agricultural sciences for McGraw-Hill, so that I found the book a few weeks ago. Your enthusiasm for this subject is evident in the chapters on intracellular symbiosis— one might almost say that it is infectious. It is remarkable how little work has been done in this field in this country.

Thank you for your suggestion about writing to Professor Buchner, and for his address. I have hastened to do so.

I hope to have an opportunity to discuss this field with you at closer quarters sometime: I don't know whether you were on compus during the summer of 1950 when I was a visiting lecturer at the Bacteriology Department. If so, it was a regrettably lost opportunity.

Yours sincerely.

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